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MARGARET ILGENFRITZ - ORCHIDS
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Dear Customer:

Some people are timid about purchasing unestablished orchids because they believe they won't be able to pot them properly. With these people in mind, we have potted a limited number of all the plants we imported this spring and are offering them here at only a slight increase in price over the unestablished plants. All are started with new roots and coming along nicely.

Cattleya Bowringiana: Very popular species with tall pseudobulbs and two leaves. This species produces a quantity of beautifully colored blooms in autumn and early winter. \$5.95 Ea.

Cymbidium giganteum: Cool growing. A fine species of yellow and red-brown color. Blooms are very long lasting. Autumn and winter 5.95

Cymbidium eburneum: Very fragrant, creamy-white flowers with a band of yellow in throat. Cool growing. Winter and spring. 5.50

Cypripedium insigne var. *Harefield Hall*: This plant really needs no description. The plants this year are better than ever before. Overall effect is yellow and green. Blooms are extremely long lasting. Winter 6.50

Dendrobium formosum: The fall-blooming, very fragrant, white dendrobium species. Most of the plants are in bud now. 5.95

Dendrobium nobile: The most popular of all the *Dendrobium* species. Light orchid blooms with purple disc in throat. Very colorful. A deciduous species which loses some of its foliage during its winter resting period. Spring. 5.95

Dendrobium wardianum var. *giganteum*: Larger flowers than *nobile*, and almost pure-white, tipped with amethyst. Winter and spring. 5.95

Epidendrum atropurpureum: An unusual color combination of green and chocolate-brown distinguish this species. From 5 to 15 flowers are produced on each spike. Summer. 5.95

Epidendrum pentotis: Very fragrant, creamy-white flowers with purple stripes distinguish this species. A very lovely bloom. Summer 4.95

Epidendrum radiatum: Somewhat similar to above, but plants are smaller and so are the flowers. Very fragrant. Spring. 4.95

Oncidium ampilatum var. *Majus*: One of the truly beautiful sights of the orchid world is that plant in bloom. A great many small yellow flowers almost completely cover the spike. Some red-brown on the blooms. Spring. 5.95

Oncidium bicallosum: Flowers of medium size, yellow, shaded with brown-green. Lip bright yellow, dotted with red. A long scape produces a quantity of blooms. Winter. 5.95

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- Oncidium cavendishianum*: A clear-yellow flower, spotted with red. Lip is bright-yellow. Many small flowers on a long spike. Spring. \$5.95
- Oncidium leucochilum*: Very long scapes produce a quantity of yellowish-green blooms, barred with dark-brown. Lip is white. Various 3.95
- Odontoglossum laeve*: Scapes produce 2-3" greenish-yellow flowers with pale-lilac lip. Fragrant. Quite unusual. Spring. 4.50
- Oncidium ornithorhynchum*: This plant produces almost pure-white, small blooms which resemble a bird. Very fragrant. Winter. 4.95
- Oncidium varicosum* var. *Rogersii*: A truly beautiful sight in bloom. Large flowers of yellow, barred with red-brown. Lip is large and bright-yellow. Winter 5.95
- Oncidium sphacelatum*: A truly beautiful sight is this species in bloom. This spring one of my plants produced a spike with 120 blooms! A butter-yellow with reddish markings. Late spring. 5.95

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